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1. AN INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF THE ALTERNATIVE TEXTS
PROPOSED BY THE SECSGEN AND THE CCG CHAIRMAN FOR
INCLUSION IN THE REPORT (REFTEL - PARA 6) FOLLOWS:

A. SECSGEN

- THE SECRETARIES GENERAL HAVE EMPHASIZED THAT A STRICT
LINK WITH SALARIES WITHOUT A GUARANTEE CLAUSE COULD, IN
CERTAIN CASES, CAUSE AN IMPORTANT LOSS OF PURCHASING
POWER FOR CERTAIN PENSIONERS.

- THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE, IN RESPONDING TO THIS
PREOCCUPATION, HAS INDICATED THAT IF AT SOME MOMENT THE
APPLICATION OF ARTICLE 36, SUCH AS WOULD RESULT FROM THE
INTERPRETATIVE PROVISIONS OUTLINED IN PARAGRAPH (NUMBER
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UNKNOWN), ABOVE, WOULD CAUSE AN APPRECIABLE REDUCTION,
IN THE ORDER OF AT LEAST FIVE OR SIX PCT, OF THE
PURCHASING POWER OF CERTAIN PENSIONS SUCH AS HAD BEEN
ESTABLISHED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE PENSION ENTITLEMENT,
IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE, AT THE REQUEST OF THE SECSGEN, TO
EXAMINE MEASURES WHICH COULD BE TAKEN EVENTUALLY TO AVOID
AN EXCESSIVE LOSS FOR INTERESTED PENSIONERS.

B. CCG CHAIRMAN

- THE SECRETARIES GENERAL HAVE EMPHASIZED THAT A STRICT LINK WITH SALARIES WITHOUT A GUARANTEE CLAUSE COULD, IN CERTAIN CASES, CAUSE AN IMPORTANT LOSS OF PURCHASING POWER FOR CERTAIN PENSIONERS.
- THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE, RESPONDING TO THIS PREOCCUPATION, HAS INDICATED THAT IF THIS SHOULD HAPPEN, FOLLOWING THE APPLICATION OF THE INTERPRETATIVE PROVISIONS OF THE PRESENT REPORT, THE SECRETARIES GENERAL HAD THE RIGHT TO ASK THAT IT STUDY THE MEASURES WHICH COULD BE TAKEN IN ORDER TO AVOID AN EXCESSIVE LOSS OF PURCHASING POWER OF CERTAIN PENSIONS, SUCH AS HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE PENSION.

2. AS REPORTED PARA 4 REFTTEL, THE REQUEST FOR A SAFEGUARD CLAUSE HAD NOT BEEN ACCEPTED EITHER BY THE WORKING PARTY OR DURING THE CCG DISCUSSION. UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT WISHES TO PROPOSE ALTERNATIVE WORDING, MISSION RECOMMENDS ACCEPTANCE OF THE TEXT IN 1(B).

3. THESE TEXTS WERE RECEIVED THIS MORNING WITH A REQUEST FOR A CHOICE ON MARCH 30.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT'S INSTRUCTIONS ASAP.
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